

August 24, 2004

Patrick Crowley
Montana Dept. of Environmental Quality
Solid Waste Division
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RE:

Waste Material Shipment Notification

BNSF Libby Railyard Biotite Removal, Libby, MT

EMR Project Number: 5539.004

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Dear Mr. Crowley,

Per the Administrative Order on Consent for Removal in the matter of The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company (BNSF) – Libby Railyard, Montana, Libby Asbestos Site, Libby Montana issued by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), EMR, Inc. (EMR) on behalf of the BNSF is providing this correspondence to notify the State of Montana that waste material will be shipped from the BNSF Libby Railyard to the Lincoln County Landfill beginning on or after September 8, 2004.

The waste material being shipped to the Lincoln landfill consists of soils impacted with Libby Amphibole and asbestos. These soils will be transported to the landfill via trucks using tarpaulins. Approximately 15,000 tons of soils are anticipated to be transported to and disposed of at the Lincoln County landfill.

BNSF will also profile railroad ties and soil to the BFI landfill in Missoula, Montana. These materials will be profiled as asbestos impacted. Most railroad ties generated on site will be washed and recycled, however if the ties break apart or can not be decontaminated these ties and a small amount of associated soils will be sent to the BFI Facility. It is expected that a very small amount of ties and soil will be shipped to the landfill in Missoula. The facility address is 1501 Rogers Street, PO Box 8449, Missoula, MT 59807.

Please feel free to contact me in the office at 763-277-5200 with any questions or comments.

Sincerely EMR, Inc.

Tanya Drake Project Coordinator

Cc:

Mr. Dave Smith (BNSF, Helena, MT)

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